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To the Author *of the* Gazette,

SIR,

I Have been at the Pains to tranſcribe the following Hints upon the true and falſe Aſſiſtances to Beauty in my own Sex, in View to the Service of a particular Friend, and deſire you'll give them a Place in your Paper, not only in hopes they may in this Manner have a better Effect on the Perſon they're deſigned for, than if privately thrown in her Way, but poſſibly too, be thus of more general Service. For I can't bear to find that ſuch *falſe, foreign* Aſſiſtances are likely to be introduced among us *Americans*. Whoſe native Beauty, I ſhou'd think, would be far better improved by the more laudable and laſting Embelliſhments of the Mind.

Your humble Servant

LÆTITIA.

MOnſieur St. *Evremont* has concluded one of his Eſſays with affirming, that the laſt Sighs of a handſome Woman are not ſo much for the loſs of her Life, as of her Beauty. Perhaps this Raillery is purſued too far, yet it is turned upon a very obvious Remark, that *Woman*'s ſtrongeſt *Paſſion* is for her own *Beauty*, and that ſhe values it as her *favourite Diſtinction*. From hence it is, that all Arts, which pretend to improve or preſerve it, meet with ſo general a Reception among the *Sex*. To ſay nothing of many Falſe Helps, and Contraband Wares of Beauty, there is ſcarce a Maiden of any tolerable Degree whatever, who has not heard of the Virtues of *Maydew*, or is unfurniſhed with ſome Receipt or other in favour of her Complexion; and I have known a Phyſician of Learning and Senſe, after eight Years Study in the Univerſity, and a Courſe of Travels into moſt Countries of *Europe* owe the firſt raiſing of his Fortunes to a *Coſmetick Waſh*.

This has given me occaſion to conſider, how to univerſal a Diſpoſition in Womankind, which ſprings from a laudable Motive, the Deſire of pleaſing, and proceeds upon an Opinion, not altogether groundleſs, that *Nature* may be help'd by *Art*, may be turned to their Advantage. And, methinks, it would be an acceptable Service to take them out of the Hands of Quacks, and Pretenders, and to prevent their impoſing upon themſelves, by diſcovering to them the true *Secret* and *Art* of *improving Beauty*.

In order to this, before I touch upon it directly, it will be neceſſary to lay down a few preliminary Maxims, *viz.*

That no Woman can be Handſome, by the Force of *Features* alone, any more than ſhe can be witty only by the Help of Speech.

That *Pride* deſtroys all Symmetry and Grace, and *Affectation* is a more terrible Enemy to fine Faces than the Small-pox.

That no Woman is capable of being *Beautiful*, who is not uncapable of being *Falſe*.

And, That what would be odious in a *Friend*, is Deformity in a Miſtreſs.

From theſe few Principles, thus laid down, it will be eaſy to prove, that the true Art of aſſiſting Beauty, conſiſts in Embelliſhing the whole Perſon by the proper Ornaments of virtuous and commendable Qualities. By this Help alone it is, that thoſe who are the Favourite Work of Nature are in a greater Capacity of exerting their Charms: And thoſe who ſeem to have been neglected by her, like Models wrought in haſte, are capable, in a great Meaſure, of finiſhing what ſhe has left Imperfect.

It is, methinks, a low and degrading *Idea* of that *Sex*, which was created to refine the Joys, and ſoften the Cares of Humanity, by the moſt agreeable Participation, to conſider them meerly as Objects of *Sight*. This is abridging them of their natural Extent of Power, to put them upon a Level with their *Pictures*. How much nobler is the Contemplation of *Beauty* heightned by *Virtue*, and commanding our Eſteem and Love, while it draws our Obſervation? How faint and ſpiritleſs are the Charms of a *Coquet*, when compared with the real Lovelineſs of *Innocence*, *Piety*, *Good-Humour* and *Truth*; Virtues which add a new Softneſs to the *Sex*, and even beautify their Beauty, That Agreeableneſs, which, muſt otherwiſe have appeared no longer in the modeſt *Virgin*, is now preſerved in the tender *Mother*, the prudent *Friend*, and the faithful *Wife*. Colours artfully ſpread upon Canvas may entertain the Eye, but not affect the Heart; and ſhe, who takes no care to add to the natural Graces of her Perſon any excelling Qualities, may be allowed ſtill to amuſe, as a *Picture*, but not to triumph as a *Beauty*.

When *Adam* is introduced by *Milton* deſcribing *Eve* in Paradiſe, and relating to the Angel the Impreſſions he felt upon ſeeing her at her firſt Creation, he does not repreſent her like a *Grecian Venus*, by her *Shape* or *Features*, but by the *Luſtre* of her *Mind* which ſhone in them, and gave them their Power of Charming.

Grace was in all her Steps, Heav'n in her Eye,
In all her Geſtures, Dignity and Love.

Without this irradiating Power, the proudeſt *Fair One* ought to know, whatever her *Glaſs* may tell her to the contrary, that her moſt perfect *Features* are *Uninformed* and *Dead*.

I cannot better cloſe this Moral, than by a ſhort Epitaph, written by *Ben. Johnſon*, with a Spirit which nothing could inſpire but ſuch an Object as I have been deſcribing.

Underneath this Stone doth lye
As much Virtue as cou'd die,
Which, when alive, did Vigour give
To as much Beauty as cou'd live.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

VIENNA, *Feb.* 13.

FRESH Advices from the Frontiers confirm that the Turks go on briskly with their Preparations for War.

We have an Account from Corſica, that the Malecontents appear more ſtubborn than ever, and have lately ſhot the Son of one of their Chiefs, charg'd with a Deſign to go over to the Republick. Since the War there, is become a more weighty Concern than was at firſt imagined, they talk of augmenting the Imperial Troops in that Iſland to 20,000 Men, in order to reduce the Rebels before any other Power openly declares in their Behalf.

Hamburgh, *Feb.* 15. 'Tis adviſed from Dreſden, that on the 9th a Council of War was held there in the King's Preſence, wherein it was reſolved to ſend Orders to the Colonels of Foot, not only to have their Regiments compleat againſt the general Review in May next, but to augment them 8 Men per Company.

Schaff hauſen, *Mar.* 1. We learn from Rome that the Pope had had a long Conference there with the Prerender, relating to ſome Propoſitions that have been made to his Holineſs in his Favour; and that the Holy Father was about to grant a Jubilee before the End of the Carnaval, to implore the Almighty's Bleſſing on an Enterprize of great Conſequence for the general good of the Church.

Bruſſels, *Mar.* 7. They write from Vienna, of the 23d paſt, that they had learnt that the Turks continue their Preparations for War with Vigour, and it is ſaid, had declared to M. Dahlman, that they deſigned to invade the Venetian Territories.

Paris, *Mar.* 8. N. S. 'Tis ſaid that all the Spaniſh Troops deſigned for the Expedition ſo often mentioned, are now actually arrived in Catalonia.

March 26. N. S. On Sunday laſt, about three Quarters of an Hour after Four in the Afternoon, the Queen of France was ſafely delivered of a Princeſs. The French King was 22 Years of Age, the Fourth of laſt Month, O. S. and has now two Sons and four Daughters. Orders are ſent by the Court, to haſten the Equipment of the 12 Men of War at Breſt and Thoulon, with all poſſible Diligence, which are to demand Satisfaction of the Algerines for the Infractions of Treaties.

LONDON, *Feb.* 17.

To Day the Lords received a Meſſage from the Commons by Mr. Sandys and near 150 other Members, with the *Penſion Bill*, which being read a firſt Time, a certain Lord ſaid, That though he abhorred Corruption, yet this was ſuch a Bill that he deſired not to ſee it read again; and remarked, that this was the third Time it had come up in the ſame Words, and having been already twice rejected, he thought it was a great Diſreſpect paid to their Lordſhips; and adding, that there was no Preamble to it, as is uſual in other Bills, and therefore moved to reject it. And another Lord ſaid, that he hated Corruption as much as any one that wore a Head, but that ſuch Bills as theſe were Offſprings of *wou'dbe* Miniſters. Thoſe who were for the Bill, argued, that they believed it to be a good one, and ſince the Commons had thrice paſt it, to clear themſelves

themſelves of any Imputation of Corruption, they thought their Lordſhips ought to paſs it; and as to the Bill's having no Preamble, Silence often conveyed ſtronger Ideas to the Mind, than Words themſelves. At laſt, the Queſtion being put, whether to read it a ſecond time, the Houſe divided, *Content* 25, *Not content* 78, and the Proxies being called for, were *Content* 15, *Not content* 17, which made the whole Number *Content* 40, *Not content* 95.

The Price of Salt is riſen from 40 s, to 61. per Ton.

From Vienna we hear, That the Emperor is augmenting his Naval Force upon the Danube about Belgrade, to 42 Ships of different Rates; and that the Turks likewiſe are augmenting their Fleet.

Feb. 22. The important Affair relating to the *Sugar Colonies*, being to come on To-morrow in the Hon. Houſe of Commons, there is publiſhed to Day a Letter from a Merchant in Jamaica, to his Friend in London, giving an Account of the preſent State and Condition of that Iſland. [*Which ſhall be communicated in our next.*]

Feb. 26. Yeſterday at 11 o' Clock, came on the Trial of Mr. Atkinſon, for the Murder of his Mother, by throwing her down Stairs; & after a Trial of about 4 Hours, the Jury went out, and, after ſtaying about half and Hour, gave in their Verdict Not guilty; and to the Indictment on the Coroner's Inqueſt, accidental Death: Accordingly he was diſcharged that Evening.

March 7. On Thurſday laſt the Right Hon. Anth. Viſcount Montacute, was elected Grand Maſter of the ancient Society of Free and Accepted Maſons, for the Year enſuing, at the Devil Tavern in Fleet-ſtreet.

March 11. we hear that the Princeſs Royal is to accompany his Majeſty to Hanover this Summer.

Carlow in Ireland, Feb. 26 On Tueſday laſt, the following melancholly Accident happen'd near this Town, viz. one Thomas Oliver, a Servant to Eſq; Hamilton, living in this Place, was coming from Dublin with a Car loaden with Wine, Sugar, &c. for his ſaid Maſter's Uſe; when he was overtaken by a Man near Timolin, with whom falling into Diſcourſe, they contracted an Acquaintance, and lay together that Night. The next Morning, they travelled in Company towards this Place, till about ten o' Clock, when without the leaſt Provocation, the ſtrange Perſon knock'd Oliver down with a Lathing Hammer, and broke his Scull, cut off his Noſe, pull'd out his Eyes, ſtript off his Breeches, and took from off the Car two Bottles of Wine and a Sugar Loaf, with which he made off.

Philadelphia, May 18, Saturday laſt arrived here 34 Dutch Paſſengers, being thoſe who came into Marthas Vinyard half ſtarved in December laſt. They have ſince been in Boſton, where they ſay the People took them into their Houſes, and uſed them very kindly, ſo that many of them were at no Charge all the while they waited for a Paſſage; and moreover, a Collection was made among the Inhabitants for their Relief, by which 200l was gathered and given to them. The Captain who brought them from Holland, was proſecuted there on their Account; but the Accuſations againſt him (contained in the Letter publiſhed here) not being made good, he was acquitted, and has ſince arreſted thoſe five who ſign'd the Letter, for Damages, and they are forced to remain behind to anſwer his Action 'Tis ſaid the People who are arrived here, complain almoſt as much of being abuſed by thoſe five, who were the chief Perſons among them, as they in their Letter did of the Captain.

By the Votes of the Houſe of Commons, it appears, That the Lords of Trade have laid before the Houſe the Minutes of the laſt Aſſembly of the Maſſachuſetts; and they were ordered to lie on the Table to be peruſed by the Members. But to what End this was done, we cannot yet learn.

Extract of a Letter from on board the Sloop Tace, *Capt.* Haskins, *who ſailed from* Carolina, *the firſt of* February *laſt, bound for this Place, and has been ever ſince miſſing, ſuppoſed to be loſt.*

Rhode-Iſland, May 1, 1732.

THIS is to inform you of our diſmal Paſſage, in which we met with the moſt violent ſtorms. We loſt our Rudder 2 Months ago, carried away our Bowſprit, and our Larboard Side was ſtove in, breaking the Timbers ſhort off to the Deck from the Chains clear aft. Our Proviſion was all expended, ſave Water, which with the Rice we had on board, made a ſhift to ſupport us; but the Weather being exceſſive bad, we could make a Fire but ſeldom, ſometimes once in a Week. When we had been out 9 Weeks, we met with Capt Pearſon of Whitehaven, and he ſpared us a Cask of Beef, a Cask of Water, ſome Bread, and ſome Twine to mend our Sails, which were always ſplitting. He parted from us with a fair Gale, and we were forced to go as the Wind drove us, deſigning to make for the firſt Land. Three Weeks after we met with ſeveral Whalemen, & wrote by one of them who was bound to Boſton. But we having ſoutherly Winds, made the Land ſhortly after; and the People of Rhode-Iſland hearing of us, a Gentleman ſent a Shallop out, which tow'd us into this Harbour, and up to the Wharff. We hope to ſee you ſoon, after we have got a new Rudder and Bowſprit, and clean'd our Veſſel, &c.

May 25. We hear from Boſton, that 2 young Noblemen are arrived there in the ſtation Ship; and 'tis ſaid they deſign to take a Tour thro' the Northern Colonies. One is a Son of the Duke of Grafton, the other a Son of the Lord Townſend.

June 2. Laſt Tueſday Night arrived Capt. Haskins, they being all well.

CHARLESTOWN, June 14

By the *Samuel and Molley*, which arrived here the 22d Inſtant, from the Bay of *Campeachy*, we have an Account, that